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To the Abstract:

An inkjet printer identification circuit is provided. It emprises includes a plurality of control lines, a control circuit providing a control signal to the plurality of control lines, and an identification module including an identification unit. The identification unit includes including at least a control input terminal, an output terminal and at least a data input terminal. The data input terminal is being coupled to a memory unit. The control input terminal is being coupled to one of the plurality of control lines. The identification unit is responsive to the control signal for determining and outputting a content stored in the memory unit via the output terminal. The control circuit identifies the status of the identification unit based on the received content stored in the memory unit.